

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes

The Administrator has received a complete application for a permit modification of #NEV95005, a water pollution control discharge permit from the following applicant:

City of Sparks Public Works Department
P. O. Box 857
Sparks, Nevada 89432-0857

The Permittee currently utilizes tertiary treated effluent to irrigate the Don Mello Sports Complex, Shadow Mountain Sports Complex, Sparks Boulevard/Van Meter Park, the Pah Rah Park and the Shelly Park/Tree Farm/Fire Station #2 and has applied for a permit modification to include Willow Creek Park, Les Hicks Park, Don Mello Fill Station, and the Truckee Meadows Fire Fill Station on permit No. NEV95005. The Permittee utilizes tertiary treated denitrified disinfected effluent from the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (NEV2003506) for spray irrigation on turf grass and other plant materials. Irrigation and truck fill station management is conducted in accordance with conditions in the approved Effluent Management Plan required by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and as a condition of the permit. The permit modification is for the remainder of the five (5) year permit.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue and reissue the subject permits to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance and reissuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing by February 16, 2004, within thirty (30) days of newspaper publication, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted.

All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days of publication of the notice will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Icyl Mulligan, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9432, or by FAX at 775.687.4684. Copies of the Fact Sheet and Public Notice may be viewed or printed from the NDEP website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.